

2008 Election Season

CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING GUIDELINES

Campaign Finance Reports

All candidates must file campaign finance forms whether or not any money has been spent campaigning for the May 6, 2008 election.

- Spending \$ on your campaign? Use the CPF M102 form
- Not spending any \$ on your campaign? Use the CPF M102-0 form
- Organizing a candidate's committee? Submit a CPF M101 form before fundraising begins
- Changing the Treasurer of an existing candidate's committee? Submit a CPF M T 101 form

Dates to remember

Pre Election Report

Due: 8 days prior to election (April 28, 2008) at the close of business. This will include all financial activity through April 18, 2008 (10 days prior to the due date).

Post Election Report

Due: 30 days after election (June 5, 2008) at the close of business. This will include all financial activity through May 26, 2008.

- Remember that **at least 50 signatures** of Westford voters are needed in order to be nominated for an office. If you don't have the required signatures by the March 18th deadline, you may want to consider running a write-in campaign. Contact the Town Clerk's Office with any questions or for more information.
- OCPF RESOURCES ON THE WEB
 Campaign finance kits for municipal candidates are available from the OCPF
 website at http://www.state.ma.us/ocpf/munikit.htm

Nomination Paper Filing Deadline: 5:00pm on Tuesday, March 18, 2008